GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4385
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National Discipline Scheme of AND HOUSE KEEPING STAFF
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether reimbursement of money for NDSIsand House keeping Staff is made by the Government since 1954 when this scheme was launched;

(b) whether during 1972-73 administrative control was handed over completely to State Government and it was decided that the expenditure incurred on NDSI and House Keeping Staff would be reimbursed by the Union Government;

(c) if so, the reasons for not reimbursing the amount on this scheme to Government of Rajasthan to the tune of Rs.40.01 crore as on 31st March, 2003; and

(d) the time by which this outstanding amount is likely to be reimbursed to Rajasthan considering the facts that the State is reeling under severe drought for the 4 consecutive years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a),(b),(c)&(d) The National Discipline Scheme of Instructors, being implemented by the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports, was originally started in 1954 by the Ministry of Rehabilitation. Till decentralization of the National Discipline Scheme in 1972, the NDS staff had been borne on the strength of the Central Government. The administrative control of the staff was transferred to the State Government in 1972. Since the State Governmentswere not willing to take over the staff, the Central Government agreed to reimburse, where necessary, expenditure on pay and allowances of the staff so long as they remain in service. The remibursement of cost is subject to receipt of specific requests supported by expenditure statements and utilization certificates from the States.

During the financial year 1999-2000, 2000-01, 2001-02, the Central Government had released Rs.150 lakhs, Rs.15 lakhs and Rs.80 lakhs respectively to the Government of Rajasthan towards cost of NDS staff projected by themfrom out of the limited budgetary allocations of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

Government of Rajasthan has projected a demand of Rs.40.1 crores as against the budgetary allocation of Rs.4.5 crores for the year 2002-03. There are similar requests from other States also. Reimbursement of expenditure will be made on pro-rata basis in view of the limited funds.